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In re application of :
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MOISTURE ABSORPTIVE AND
 DESORPTIVE ULTRAFINE PARTICLES
 AND A PRODUCT USING SAID
 ULTRAFINE PARTICLES
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the interest of compact prosecution, please amend the present application as follows: